**History Post Test**

**STUDY GUIDE**

**EUROPE**

1. Why did Europeans want to start exploring the world? (Hint: where were they trying to reach and why) Trade route to Asia
2. What were the 3 motivations for continued exploration of the world?

God (spread Christian religion), Gold, and Glory

1. Who began the School of Navigation for sailors? Prince Henry the Navigator
   1. Which country was he from? Portugal
2. Which European country had an empire so large that it was called the “Empire on which the sun never sets”? Great Britain
3. What were the main causes of World War I? Militarism, Alliances, Imperialism, Nationalism
   1. Which leader was assassinated in 1914, eventually leading to WWI? Archduke Franz Ferdinand
4. Which document officially ended World War I? Treaty of Versailles
   1. Which country lost the war? Germany
   2. What requirements did the treaty have? Pay reparations, accept full blame, give up land and military
5. Which country had a revolution against their monarchy in 1917? Russia
   1. Which leader was overthrown, arrested, and eventually killed? Tsar Nicholas II
   2. What new country was created after the revolution? Soviet Union
   3. Who was the leader of the revolution, helping create the new country? Vladimir Lenin
6. Who became the leader of Germany in 1933? Adolf Hitler
7. What was the Holocaust? Mass murder of millions of Jewish people in WWII
8. What was the Cold War? Period of tension between USA and Soviet Union
   1. Which two “superpowers” was the Cold War between? USA and Soviet Union
   2. When did the Cold War end? 1991
   3. What two things symbolized the divide between Communism and Democracy during the Cold War? Berlin Wall and Iron Curtain

**LATIN AMERICA**

1. Which two European countries colonized most of Latin America? Spain, Portugal
2. Define conquistador: Spanish soldier sent to conquer new land
3. Who were the indigenous people that lived in what is now Mexico? Aztecs
   1. What was their capital city? Tenochtitlan
   2. Who was their last leader? Montezuma II
   3. Which conquistador conquered them? Cortes
4. Who were the indigenous people that lived along the west coast of South America? Incas
   1. Who was their last leader? Atahualpa
   2. Which conquistador conquered them? Pizarro
5. Why were the native people so easily defeated by the Europeans? Weapons and diseases like Smallpox
6. What was the Columbian Exchange? Exchange of goods, ideas, people, and resources between the Old World and New World
7. Who was Miguel Hidalgo? Helped Mexico gain independence from Spain; Priest
   1. What was his nickname? Why? Father of Mexican Independence
8. Who was Simon Bolivar? Helped lead revolution movements in Latin America
   1. What was his nickname? The Liberator
9. Who was Toussaint L’Ouverture? Helped lead independence for Haiti
10. Which country had a revolution and began a communist country? Cuba
    1. Who was the leader of the revolution? Fidel Castro
    2. How did the United States respond to the new communist government?

Put an embargo to limit trade with them

1. Who were the Zapatistas? Native people in Mexico who used guerilla warfare
   1. Which country were they fighting in? Mexico
   2. Why were they fighting against the government? Better rights

**CANADA**

1. Which two European countries colonized Canada? France and Great Britain
   1. Which French explorer established the colony of Quebec? Samuel de Champlain
   2. Which British explorer set up colonies in Canada? John Cabot
2. What are the two languages spoken today in Canada? English and French
   1. Which of those languages are spoken in the province of Quebec? French
3. How did Canada gain their independence from Great Britain? peacefully
4. Which province of Canada wants to become an independent country? Quebec
   1. Why do they want to be an independent country? Different culture

**AUSTRALIA**

1. Who were the indigenous people of Australia? Aborigines
   1. They originally came from southeast Asia 40,000 years ago.
2. Which European country colonized Australia? Great Britain
   1. Which explorer colonized the east coast of Australia? James Cook
3. Why were the Aborigines easily defeated by the European settlers? Weapons and diseases easily defeated them
4. How were the Aborigines treated by other Australians? Poorly (2nd class citizens)
5. How did Australia become an independent country? Gradually and peacefully